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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 98-385-H)

PATENT

In re Application of: Hauptmann et al.)
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Serial No.: 09/899,422)
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Filed: July 3, 2001)
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For: TNF Receptors, TNF Binding)
Proteins and DNAs Coding For Them)

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MARCH 7, 2006

Responsive to the Office Action mailed March 7, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims: Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, Applicants present a complete listing of the claims, including marked up versions of all currently amended claims, at pages 2-4.

Remarks: Applicants' Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.